

**TOWN OF ARLINGTON
MINUTES OF THE PERMANENT TOWN
BUILDING COMMITTEE MEETING**

TUESDAY, JULY 19, 2016

Location: Town Hall Annex, Second Floor

Present: John Cole, Chairman
Adam Chapdelaine
Bill Hayner
Ruthy Bennett
John Maher
Bob Jefferson

Guests: Brian DeFilippis, PMA
Eric Ammondson
Douglas Heim, Town Counsel
Michael Hanna, Principal of Stratton School
Rob Juusola
Lee Rich

Absent: Allen Reedy
Brett Lambert
Diane Johnson

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM.

STRATTON SCHOOL

Rob Juusola gave a review of the project. The modular classrooms are in place including the internal fixtures, fire protection, etc. The case work, roof asbestos and the roof ladder issues have been resolved.

Bob Jefferson reported that there is a plan in progress for confined space rescue for workers. There was a lengthy discussion about an unexpected expense for a new electrical panel for the Stratton School so as to facilitate going from 800 to 1,000 amps. The Committee voted unanimously after much discussion.

On a motion by Chapdelaine, seconded by Hayner, a professional services contract for a technology consultant for the Stratton School was unanimously voted in the amount of \$27,280.

THOMPSON AND GIBBS SCHOOLS

The Thompson modular classrooms are in place. Also there have been seven submittals for owner/project manager for the Thompson School. The Chairman, Adam Chapdelaine and Ruthy Bennett will review the submittals.

COMMUNITY SAFETY BUILDING

Items discussed:

1. Progress.

Brian noted that progress includes installation of interior doors, concrete housekeeping pads in the penthouse, a fuel tank, firing range lighting and ductwork, and the generator was rigged into the penthouse. GWB finishing is nearly complete, painting has begun, and concrete counter replacement is ongoing. The generator support pads were poured in the wrong location so that will need to be corrected. The damaged concrete counters at the front desk were replaced and were again damaged in installation.

2. Schedule.

Brian and Eric noted that EAC's project staffing has been reduced for at least the past six weeks. Today there were five personnel on site. It is believed that without increased staffing it is unlikely the project will be completed on time.

3. Project Budget Review
was not discussed.

4. Site Work
was not discussed.

5. Application for Payment.
None were made at this time.

6. COP 159.

A discussion was held regarding the Chairman's and Chapdelaine's meeting with EAC and the rejection of COP 159. The meeting did not go well, and the contractor abruptly terminated it. Subsequently, the Town received a letter from EAC's attorney. Mr. Heim noted that he had reviewed the claim with outside counsel, James Peloquin, and they both felt the next step should be litigation, not arbitration. Mr. Heim suggested Ammondson modify its draft rejection letter of COP 159RRR to include a request for additional documentation in order to consider providing additional time. Mr. Heim requested the Committee's support in order to retain Mr. Peloquin and to direct Ammondson to formally reject EAC's latest COP 159 (159RRR). The Committee unanimously approved both requests. Mr. Heim will ask Mr. Peloquin for an estimate of his costs to represent the Town and for an estimate of the value of the claim.

INVOICES AND HOUSEKEEPING

The Minutes of the June 21st meeting were approved unanimously on a motion by Hayner, seconded by Bennett.

The following invoices were approved on motions by Hayner, seconded by Bennett:

Community Safety Building:

1. No. 15 for PMA in the amount of \$19,570;
2. Broadlink Technical Solutions for white board and projectors in the amount of \$938.09;
3. American Alarm in the amount of \$333;
4. Acoustical Consultants in the amount of \$2,315; and
5. Ammondson June Billing in the amount of \$14,352.27.

Whereupon a motion was made by Maher, seconded by Hayner, to adjourn at 9:12 PM, and it was unanimously voted.

Respectfully submitted,

John F. Maher, Clerk Pro Tem